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In re Application of:

Frederic M. Newman

Serial No. 10/720,594

Filed: November 24, 2003

For: CROWN OUT-FLOOR OUT DEVICE FOR A
WELL SERVICE RIG

Examiner: Thu V. Nguyen

Art Unit: 3661

Confirmation No. 5037

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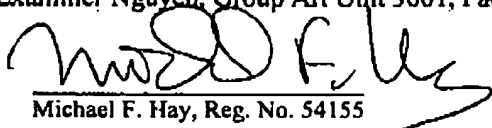
This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated July 18, 2006, concerning the above-referenced patent application. Please re-examine and reconsider the application in view of the following additions and amendments to the drawings and claims and consider the appended remarks.

As the three month statutory period for reply is due October 18, 2006, this response is considered timely filed.

The **Listing of Claims** begins on page 2 of this document.

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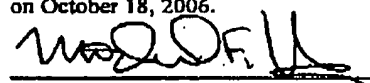
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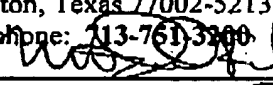
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